Remarks

The examiner issued a notice of allowance in this case, and the issue fee has been paid. However, in reviewing the priority claim, it was determined that certain clarifying amendments were appropriate. Accordingly, the applicant respectfully submits the foregoing amendments along with a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(3) to accept an unintentionally delayed claim under 35 U.S.C. 120 and requests entry thereof.

If there are any remaining matters that the petitions officer would like to discuss, please contact the undersigned representative at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,

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